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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
OAKLAND DIVISION

MAHMOUD MOHAMED,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN E. POTTER, POSTMASTER  
GENERAL,

Defendant.

No. C 07-3306 WDB

**DECLINATION TO PROCEED  
BEFORE A MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
AND REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT  
TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT  
JUDGE, CONSISTENT WITH MOTION  
TO RELATE TO EARLIER ACTION,  
MOHAMED v. POTTER, ACTION  
NUMBER 05-2194 CRB**

REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

In response to the Court's recent request for clarification, the undersigned party in the above-captioned civil matter hereby declines to consent to the assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District Judge, consistent with the undersigned party's motion to relate this case to a prior lawsuit brought by Mr. Mohamed based on substantially similar factual and legal contentions, titled *Mohamed v. Potter*, Action 05-2194 CRB, which motion to relate is pending before District Judge Breyer.

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Respectfully submitted,

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